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FLIP-FLOPPER AFTER A PLUM

Every once in a while a "professional politician" makes a flip-flop when he sees which way the wind is blowing. We have a beautiful example in the case of J. H. Causton, of Lovelock, Nevada. Late Republican candidate for the office of revenue collector of the state of Nevada.

Mr. Causton has been for the past several years a staunch Democrat. In fact, a Democrat of the old rank and has for two sessions of the Nevada legislature held a patronage job given out by the Democratic chiefs who held sway for a period in this state. During the legislature of 1917 Mr. Causton was on the payroll at Carson as a bill clerk. At the 1919 session he filled the rank of chief clerk in the assembly under the Democratic regime.

But now things are different. Another party is in power and Mr. Causton, who no doubt saw the handwriting on the wall, threw off the

Democratic chains, for a time, at least, and is seeking the berth of revenue collector for Nevada.

Strange things happen once in a while, but this is the limit. Some political rainbow chasers would turn to Buddhism if the chances of securing a political appointment looked at all favorable for them.

It is safe to predict, and it has already been whispered about, that the grooming of Causton came from Big Chief Stewart of Reno, who during the last campaign, considered himself the whole show in the Republican party of Nevada. Mr. Causton's bubble of revenue collectorship will burst soon. What Nevada wants is men of the right caliber to take over the reins in the handling of the state's welfare and one of the type of Causton who flop very time the wind blows are not the sort to head the revenue collector's office or any other office in this state.

BIG NAVY FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

It is estimated that by 1924 the United States will have by far the most powerful navy in the world. For over 300 years Great Britain has held supremacy over the seas, but now she is rapidly yielding control to America. If nothing unforeseen occurs to interrupt our building program, we will have three years hence 27 capital ships with a total tonnage of 983,000 tons. At the same time the British navy will include 18 ships of similar class of a total weight of 487,000 tons. In addition our vessels will have a faster maximum speed and mount larger and more powerful guns. Other countries will all have fleets inferior to the American, even Japan, which is building substantial increases to her navy, being considerably behind the United States.

Now, just so long as that state of naval supremacy is maintained the United States will be the most powerful factor for peace in the world. There is probably not a government but will concede that America is the most potent moral influence among the nations. But in the league of nations, connected by Mr. Wilson as a peace panacea, this country could never have exerted that influence for good. Had the United States become a member of the league she would have had one vote on the council against eight foreign ballots, and only one vote in the assembly against 40 or more of the other members. What would it have mattered how highly moral the stand of the United States on a question might have been? She could have been outvoted overwhelmingly and the forces of the Old World imperialism would have remained in the saddle in Europe, and might have extended their malign influence to the western hemisphere.

With a navy capable of defeating any rival, the safety of the United States is preserved, something that would never have been assured by reliance on the league of nations. The Monroe doctrine remains, as it has in the past, inviolate against

RESULTS OF CONSTRUCTIVE POLICIES

As a direct result of constructive legislation passed by the Republican congress, the United States federal power commission has before it applications for permits to develop an aggregate of 12,000,000 horsepower on unused water in American rivers. It is stated as an illustration of the magnitude of 12,000,000 horsepower that it would be sufficient to furnish power for 20 cities the size of Chicago. It is estimated to be 40 percent more than the present water-power development in the United States. This 12,000,000 horsepower would amount to practically 50 percent of the developed water power of the world.

An idea of the financial value of this amount of power which developed is gained from the statement that the installation of the projects for which application has been made would involve an investment of \$1,200,000,000. The applications now in hand come from 27 states of the union with Alaska and the District of Columbia, the state having the largest number of applications being California with 35, while the state applying for the largest ag-

gregate of power is Arizona with 1,613,200 horsepower.

Speaking of the advantages to be gained by the development of latent water power, the federal power commission has this to say: "Electric power generated from water and transmitted under modern conditions is the only effective present substitute, in any reasonable measure, for power generated by the burning of coal for use in industry and transportation. The conditions similar to every one which have arisen during the past few years from increasing cost and difficulty of production of coal and from interference with its distribution by strikes and railroad congestion, demand the use of this substitute, which is wholly independent of labor difficulties once installations are completed. That these basic conditions are keenly realized and appreciated alike by government and capital in foreign countries since the conclusion of the war is apparent from the reconstruction work now in progress and the efforts being made to cut down consumption of expensive fuel by the utilization and development of wa-

LOYD GEORGE TO BLAME EDWARD ADOPT EXAMPLE PRES. HARDING RESISTING CROWN

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Jan. 5. (Premier Lloyd George has adopted the example of President-elect Harding of the United States and issued a warning to the public to practice thrift. "I have seen a very sound and sensible appeal by the newly-elected president of the United States to the American people for all-round economy and I make the same appeal to the people of this country," said the Premier at a dinner of the Federation of British Industries.

Mr. Lloyd George warned his hearers that a period of great and inevitable depression was coming and the question was, said, how to shorten or mitigate its evils.

"Europe is standing in front of our shop windows," he went on. "It wants to buy, but it is in rags and its pockets are full of paper. In the Good Book there is a story of a man who reconstructed a broken city with a trowel in one hand and a sword in the other, but Europe must not work with both hands. Let the government set the example to the nation yes, but let the nation set the example to the government," he urged. "The cabinet has appointed a committee to cut down expenditure, and I suggest there should be a committee in every household to cut down expenditures. I know what will happen."

"Divorce!" someone shouted, and everybody laughed.

"Each member of the family," Lloyd George went on, "will want to cut the expenses of the other. The women will cut down the cigar bill and the men the dress bill. That is what happens in the public expenditure. But it is essential, if the nation is to recover, that there should be a right, ruthless economy for some time to come."

(By Associated Press)

Use of water power would not only conserve coal as a fuel in transportation but by the use of electric power for hauling trains the disagreeable smoke and cinder nuisance would be eliminated. Many of the western railroads now use electric power over a considerable portion of their mileage.

At the outset of the movement for the development of water power now going to waste, the federal authorities have met opposition from a rather unexpected source. Wherever a government has been started to develop water power on a stream in a national park protest has been made on the ground that the development of the water power will destroy the scenic beauty of the park. A well organized campaign of opposition has been started and the success of that movement will be to delay, if not permanently prevent, the development of the water power. It is a case of "you can't eat your cake and have it too." The country can not preserve its mountain streams in their original condition and also use them for the development of water power. Ultimately a choice must be made between the two alternatives.

The subject of federal encouragement of development of water power has been agitated for years, but nothing definite was accomplished until a Republican congress drafted and enacted a law which offers inducements to private enterprises at the same time that it guards the public welfare.

"Twenty years ago," editorially remarks Sacramento's always busy Bee, "the chamber of commerce purchased a lot and announced to the world that it would erect itself a building thereon. During these 20 years the announcement was repeated at intervals, trailing off each time in a faint whisper. It took a young man from Los Angeles to resurrect that scheme from the junk pile."

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ST. LOUIS, Jan. 5. (The Irish Nationalist leaders, John Dillon and John Redmond, saved Sir Edward Carson, Unionist advocate, from prosecution for preaching rebellion in Ulster in 1914, says Charles F. G. Masterman, who was then financial secretary to the treasury.)

Mr. Masterman in addressing an audience here blamed Sir Edward for beginning the resistance to the crown which led up to the present situation in Ireland. One of his hearers asked why the Ulster leader was not then prosecuted and Mr. Masterman replied:

"The cabinet was ready to do so, but John Redmond and John Dillon, acting through Mr. Lloyd George, persuaded the cabinet not to take the step. They argued that in three months time the home rule bill would become law, and they would then be responsible for the government of Ireland. They asked that they should be allowed to undertake the government of Ireland without being hampered by any feeling created beforehand by the prosecution of Sir Edward Carson. They thought they could overcome what they regarded as the humbug of the Ulster movement."

"They may have been right or wrong," concluded the speaker, "but the war broke out before the test came."

Let us hope due note will be taken in the enterprising town on the other side of the Tehachapi of the olive branch extended in those words, "a young man from Los Angeles," and that during the end year now at hand a gracious spirit of reciprocity will prevail and prevent any more agitating movements for putting the state capital on wheels.

Grief over the reported cancellation of billions of "orders" by Soviet Russia is ameliorated by considerable doubts whether the Lenin crowd has anything left with which to pay.



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